

# The Romulus News

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## Timely Tidbits ...

### Fall Softball

The Romulus Recreation Department is now accepting registrations for ISA Fall Softball, with play (all games are doubleheaders) in the following divisions:

- Monday/Wednesday Men's White (begins September 8; eight teams/14 games/two umpires; \$400 per team),
- Friday Men's White (begins September 10; six teams/10 games/two umpires; \$325 per team),
- Sunday Men's White (begins August 29; 10 teams/nine games/two umpires; \$325 per team),
- Tuesday Coed Recreation (begins September 7; six teams/10 games/one umpire; \$250 per team).

The deadline for registration is August 20. A mandatory manager's meeting is set for August 25.

For more information, contact the Romulus Recreation Department (734-942-6852).

### Crafters, Vendors, Entertainers Sought

The Romulus Pumpkin Festival Committee continues its search for crafters, vendors, and entertainers who would like to take part in the City's third annual Pumpkin Festival, set to take place in downtown Romulus the weekend of September 18-19.

Crafters and vendors can obtain applications by calling Maria Lambert at 734-942-7543. Persons wishing to donate their talents for the entertainment portion of the festival should contact Ellen Bragg at 734-942-9207.

### St. Aloysius Festival Comes a Week Early

If you're one of the many fans of that "local institution" known as the St. Aloysius Festival, take note: the annual event will *not* take place during Labor Day weekend. It has been set for Friday, August 27, through Sunday, August 29.

Watch for a complete schedule of events in our August 13 issue. □

## State's SRB Process Could Begin August 2

By Kristi Stephens

As early as August 2, 1999, the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) could announce that it has deemed a permit application for the construction and operation of an above-ground hazardous-waste treatment, storage, and disposal facility on Citrin Drive in Romulus "technically complete," and initiate the next step in a process that mandates another year of deliberation before DEQ Director Russell Harding can hand down a final decision on the proposed Environmental Disposal Systems, Inc. (EDS), project.

"We have already notified EDS about the deficiencies that have been identified in the permit application," said Steve Sliver of the DEQ's Waste Management Division. "If the company is able to address those deficiencies to our satisfaction, we could make our decision to begin the Site Review Board [SRB] process as early as August 2."

According to Sliver, an SRB is a panel of technically proficient people who make a thorough review of a particular facility proposal, then pass on their recommendation for its approval or denial to the Director of the DEQ. According to Michigan law, each SRB must be composed of the following:

- one nonvoting chairman (must be an attorney who has experience in conducting formal meetings in which sworn testimony is given) – to be appointed by the governor;

- one geologist (must be a faculty member at one of the state's institutions of higher learning) – to be chosen from a pool of possible SRB members that has been established by the governor;
- one chemical engineer (must be a faculty member at one of the state's institutions of higher learning) – to be chosen from a pool of possible SRB members that has been established by the governor;
- one toxicologist (must be a faculty member at one of the state's institutions of higher learning) – to be chosen from a pool of possible SRB members that has been established by the governor;
- one representative from a manufacturing industry – to be chosen from a pool of possible SRB members that has been established by the governor;
- two representatives of the public – to be chosen from a pool of possible SRB members that has been established by the governor;
- one representative of a municipality (must be associated with the same type of municipality or municipal association as the one in which the proposed facility is to be located) – to be chosen from a pool of possible SRB members that has been established by the governor;
- one representative of the municipality in which the proposed facility

would be located (no residency requirement) – to be appointed by the municipality's legislative body (which, in Romulus, would be the City Council); and

- one representative of the county in which the proposed facility would be located (must be a resident of the county) – to be appointed by the county's Board of Commissioners.

If, by August 2, the DEQ informs the City and County of the need to appoint representatives to the SRB, the Board would be impaneled by mid September, and would hold its first public meeting by October 16; its first public hearing by November 30. From mid December, 1999, to mid April, 2000, the SRB would deliberate in a series of open meetings, then make its recommendation to the DEQ. Finally, the DEQ would host a public hearing on its decision regarding the permit as early as May, 2000.

*Editor's note: Much of the information contained in the article above is drawn from "Hazardous Waste Siting Response: Action Guide for Michigan Citizens and Local Governments," a publication of the East Michigan Environmental Action Council (EMEAC) – a group which identifies itself as "a citizens' organization working in the public interest for a healthy environment in Southeast Michigan." For more information, write to EMEAC at 21220 West 14 Mile Road, Bloomfield Hills, Michigan 48301-4000, or call 248-258-5188. □*

## Community Welcome at NNO "Block Party"

Along with thousands of other communities throughout the United States and around the world, the City of Romulus will once again be participating in the National Night Out (NNO) program on Tuesday, August 3, to promote crime- and drug-prevention awareness among its residents. This year's program – a "block party" that will feature events at the Romulus Police Department and the Romulus Recreation Department, as well as along a blocked-off portion of Bibbins between Shook and Olive – is being organized by the Police Department and the Rec/Senior Center.

"The purpose of NNO is to remind people of a well-documented but often-forgotten fact: By banding together, we can make our city a safer place to live," said Crime Prevention Officer Joe

Richardson. "We hope that our 'block party' will bring citizens together with their neighbors, local business people, public officials, and law-enforcement officers to foster better relations between the groups, as well as to generate additional interest in anticrime programs."

With its carnival-like atmosphere, the block party will feature a variety of entertainments and attractions, including hayrides, fortune-telling, dancing, games, crafts, a dunk tank, and more.

"Beginning at 9 a.m. and continuing until about 6 p.m., most of the attractions will be outdoors – unless it rains, in which case we'll move as much as possible into the Recreation Center," explained Linda Norman, the City's Senior-citizen Program Coordinator. "This family-oriented portion of the NNO

program – open to people of all ages – will conclude with a turkey dinner at the Recreation Center at 5 p.m.

"Later," Norman continued, "as the party moves indoors for entertainment such as Vegas-style games and dance contests, it will be strictly adults only."

Officer Richardson urges everyone in Romulus – regardless of whether or not they are able to attend the community block party – to turn on their porch lights from 7 to 10 p.m. to show support of the City's crime-prevention efforts.

"By joining your neighbors in turning on your lights," said Richardson, "you'll be giving criminals an unmistakable message: Our community is committed to putting you out of business."

For further info, call Richardson (942-6871) or Norman (942-6852). □



# The Editor's Opinion

## City, County Urged To Keep Politics Out Of SRB Appointments

By Kristi Stephens

In a matter of days – as early as August 2, in fact – the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) could decide that an application for a permit to construct and operate a hazardous-waste treatment, storage, and disposal facility on Citrin Drive in Romulus is "technically complete," and impanel a Site Review Board (SRB) to further evaluate the project that has been proposed by Environmental Disposal Systems, Inc. (EDS). If that occurs, the DEQ will instruct the City of Romulus and the County of Wayne to appoint one representative each to serve on the Board (see the article on page 1 for a description of the SRB process).

We hope that the Romulus City Council and the Wayne County Board of Commissioners will choose their appointees wisely.

We all need to face the fact that Romulus could be the home of an EDS waste facility in the not-too-distant future. Despite the grindingly slow pace of bureaucracy and additional delays caused by legal wrangling, the permitting process has finally arrived at its penultimate step: the SRB evaluation. Since the Board's deliberations represent the last meaningful opportunity that the State gives its citizens to affect the decision-making process, we need to make the most of it.

One way that our local and county governments can help us do that is by appointing SRB representatives who are knowledgeable, impartial, independent, and possessed of cool heads and good negotiating skills – not demagogues who are more interested in furthering their political careers than the interests of the people they represent.

The legislators who created our state's current waste-management laws were realists; they understood that waste-related projects are almost always controversial. If siting decisions were left up to each municipality, the NIMBY (not in my back yard) philosophy would prevail everywhere, and nowhere would there be adequate facilities to deal with the stupendous amount of wastes that are generated by industry, small business, and ordinary people. That's why those legislators did their best to devise a system that gives local citizens ample opportunity to express legitimate concerns and have those concerns addressed, but takes the final decision-making process out of the hands of local politicians who may, in

the interests of reelection, be tempted to bow to the pressures of a sometimes alarmist and misinformed public, instead of judging each proposal on its true merits or faults.

We think that the City and the County should follow the State's example, and make sure that politics has no place in a process that will ultimately impact our entire community. We want to be represented by people who will fight tooth-and-nail to secure every possible mitigation measure, compensation agreement, and incentive offer for our city – not by those who would waste our last opportunity for making the best of a probably inevitable situation by unilaterally opposing the project and refusing to negotiate at all.

For those of you who don't give much credence to our views on this subject, I'd like to acquaint you with the opinions of two other people who are much more qualified to evaluate the SRB process than we are. Paul and Alice Tomboulion – co-writers of an East Michigan Environmental Action Council (EMEAC) bulletin called "Hazardous Waste Siting Response: Action Guide for Michigan Citizens and Local Governments" – have long experience in the siting of hazardous-waste facilities. Paul, the Director of Environmental Health Programs at Oakland University, has served on both a citizens' committee and an SRB. Alice, a former State legislator who sponsored Act 64 (the Michigan Hazardous Waste Management Act), has worked extensively as an environmental policy consultant.

The Tomboulions' "Action Guide" contains a wealth of information about practical, effective strategies that municipalities can employ to secure the health and safety of their citizens by using the SRB system instead of rejecting it altogether. Again and again, the publication stresses the importance of negotiating the strongest possible fallback position in case efforts to oppose a project prove ultimately unsuccessful.

"Since it is possible that the facility will be built, the community should view the formal negotiations as a way to gain maximum benefits," it states, elsewhere adding, "Due to strong local feelings of opposition, some local governments and citizens' groups may feel reluctant to become organized and initiate a response program. They may view any participation as an acknowledgment and acceptance of the proposal. But since the community does not have veto

power, this reluctance does not protect the community's interests. . . . If a community has taken a strong adversarial position with an applicant in public, it may not be eager to negotiate the terms of a settlement because of its fear that such an agreement would signal the acceptance of the facility. Community representatives may want to publicly clarify that their actions do not signify acceptance of the proposal."

The "Action Guide" also urges citizens to make the most of their opportunity before the SRB by presenting justifiable concerns in an organized, concise format; providing documentation whenever possible; and limiting their remarks to relevant issues.

"The SRB knows that hazardous waste facilities are unpopular, so it is not a good use of time to simply say that you are opposed," the authors warn. "[Instead] It is very helpful to the Board if the citizens can suggest specific changes related to their concerns." Later, they continue, "... citizens should

tell the Board their concerns about a proposed facility, along with factual information. They should insist that the SRB develop the required permit stipulations to address their concerns. Prioritizing issues is helpful in presenting local concerns to the SRB, since the Board has only limited time. If the public uses a 'scattergun' approach and brings random or inappropriate issues to the SRB, then there will not be enough time to address the more significant issues."

Finally, the EMEAC's "Action Guide" suggests that potential SRB appointees should "... be able to make independent objective decisions; know the findings of [any existing citizens' information committees]; understand the local community; be able to understand technical information; have time for meetings and study."

We hope that our city councilmen and county commissioners will heed the Tomboulions' words of wisdom if/when the time comes to make their SRB appointments. □

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## Community Calendar

- **Godspell** – The Downriver Youth Performing Arts Center will present *Godspell* (featuring a teen cast) at the Trenton Theatre (2447 West Jefferson) on July 30–31 and August 6–7. Tickets are \$8 for adults; \$7 for seniors and students; \$6 each for groups of 20 or more. For more information, please call 734-283-7090 or 734-676-1145.
- **"Sweet Adelines" Seek Singers** – County Connection Chorus of Sweet Adelines International – a women's chorus singing four-part harmony, barbershop style – is looking for ladies who love to sing. Beginning Tuesday, August 3, at 6:30 p.m., the chorus will host weekly guest nights in preparation for an upcoming show, *An Evening of Swing*. Rehearsals will be held in Ypsilanti at UAW Local 898 (8975 Textile Road). Visit the chorus to learn how to swing dance and sing music from the swing era. Bring a friend and bring your dancing shoes! For information, call 734-480-8843.
- **Gypsy Fest** – A Gypsy Fest featuring Hungarian food and spirits, folk dancers, Gypsy music, fortune tellers, and Hungarian imports will be held at the Hungarian-American Cultural Center (26257 Goddard Road, between Inkster and Beech Daly roads in Taylor) on Sunday, August 8, from noon to 10 p.m. Admission is \$5 per person (children 12 and under are admitted free when accompanied by an adult). For more information, call the HACC (734-946-6261), Linda (248-352-0927) or Barb (313-383-4472).
- **Summer Tennis Camp** – Romulus Community Schools and the Romulus High School Tennis Program will join the United States Tennis Association in sponsoring a nine-day tennis camp (August 9–13, 16–18, and 20) at Romulus High School for students entering grades one through seven. Instructor Phil Yaccick (Halecreek re-teacher and USPTA-certified tennis professional) and his two assistants will divide the program into two age groups: grades one through four (10 a.m. to 12 p.m.) and grades five through seven (1 to 3 p.m.). *Note: Gym shoes must be worn to all classes.* A cost of \$10 per player (cash only) includes 14 hours of instruction, plus a Wilson tennis racket (those who received a racket during their participation in the Halecreek after-school program will receive a t-shirt instead) and a USA Tennis water-bottle at no extra cost (a \$26 value). Register at any Romulus elementary school by noon on Friday, July 30 (parental permission slip and emergency card must be furnished at that time). To find out if space remains for late registration after that date, call 734-942-6852.
- **The Mayor's Chair** – The next edition of the monthly *Mayor's Chair* program will air on cable channel 40 (channel 12 for those who have already switched over to broadband) beginning at 6:30 p.m. on Thursday, August 12. Special guests for the evening will be Richard Silbur, Director of the Romulus Help Center, and Romulus Police Officer Jeff Lazarski, who will be on hand to discuss the Romulus Police Explorers youth program. Anyone who would like to be present when the program is taped must be seated in the Council Chambers at Romulus City Hall (11111 South Wayne Road, at Goddard) by 6:15 p.m. Beginning at 6 p.m., home viewers can call 734-942-7571 to ask questions of the Mayor and guests.
- **Audition Call for Barnum** – The Downriver Youth Performing Arts Center is auditioning players ages five to 19 for a late-fall production of *Barnum*. The audition will be held at the Trenton Theatre (2447 West Jefferson) on Sunday, August 15, from 6 to 10 p.m. Come prepared to sing a song and do a dance of your choice. For more information, call 734-676-1145.
- **Chamber Hosts Benefit Golf Outing** – The Greater Romulus Chamber of Commerce will host its annual golf outing/fund raiser at Willow Golf Course (located at 22900 Huron River Drive in New Boston) on Thursday, August 26, beginning at 8:30 a.m. Foursomes and hole sponsors are needed, as well as cash donations toward prizes and workers. A cost of \$380 per foursome also covers refreshments on the course and a steak dinner (at the Romulus Progressive Club, located at 11580 Ozga Road) afterward. For more information, call the Chamber office (734-326-4290).
- **Crafters Wanted!** – St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church (located at the corner of Ellis and Craig streets in New Boston) is looking for crafters for its annual Applefest Bazaar and Craft Show (set for the first weekend in October). For more information, call the church: 734-753-9048.

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### REGULAR MEETING, JUNE 28, 1999

The Regular Meeting of the Romulus Board of Education held on Monday, June 28, 1999, was called to order by President Howard J. Kesner at 7:30 P.M.

Roll call showed Member Webb absent (excused). Dr. William M. Bedell, Superintendent, was absent (excused).

Pledge of Allegiance was led by President Kesner.

#### APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

6/99/11 Moved by Berlinn supported by Lambert to approve the Agenda as presented. Ayes: 6. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

#### APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:

6/99/12 Moved by Lenossi supported by Berlinn to approve the Minutes of June 15, 1999, as presented. Ayes: 6. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

#### REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT:

##### Personnel Actions

Dr. Samuel B. La Monica, Director of Human Resources, offered the following personnel actions for Board approval.

EMPLOYMENT: Julie Wadsworth, St. Aloysius, Shared Time, Effective September 1, 1999; Michelle Beebe, High School, Social Studies, Effective September 1, 1999; Heather Stanley, Middle School, Language Arts, Effective September 1, 1999; Deanna Strong, Project Coordinator, 21st Century Grant, Effective July 1, 1999; Jessaca Henry, Middle School, Math, Effective September 1, 1999; Rhonda McAllister, High School/Middle School, Social Worker, Effective September 1, 1999; and Keisa Sterling, High School, Language Arts, Effective September 1, 1999.

6/99/13 Moved by Lambert supported by Lenossi to approve the employment of the above listed personnel as presented by Dr. Samuel B. La Monica, Director of Human Resources. Ayes: 6. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

6/99/14 Moved by Lenossi supported by Lambert to accept the resignation of Caryn Curcio, Teacher, Romulus High School, as presented by Dr. Samuel B. La Monica, Director of Human Resources. Ayes: 6. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

RETIREMENTS: Mark Anderson, Teacher, High School, Effective June 30, 1999; Gladys Baker-Jones, Teacher, Halecreek, Effective June 30, 1999; George Bowersox, Teacher, English, Effective June 30, 1999; Linda Bradfield, Counselor, Middle School, Effective June 30, 1999; Earl Cornett, Administrator, Community High/Adult Education; William Cuhnan, Teacher, Wick, Effective June 1, 1999; Frances Elser, Teacher, Halecreek, Effective June 30, 1999; Ruth Fairchild, School Nurse, Effective June 30, 1999; David Ferdon, CAD Teacher, Effective June 30, 1999; Rosemary Foster, Kindergarten Teacher, Effective June 30, 1999; John Juriga, Lab 2000 Teacher, Effective June 30, 1999; Michael Kernohan, High School Teacher, Effective June 30, 1999; William Knight, High School Counselor, Effective June 30, 1999; Richard Kruse, Middle School Band Director, Effective June 30, 1999; Bonnie Mientkiewicz, Barth Teacher, Effective June 30, 1999; Beatrice Morgan, Wick Teacher, Effective June 30, 1999; Dorothy Ogletree, S. E. Teacher, Effective June 30, 1999; Gail Radovic, Cory Teacher, Effective June 30, 1999; Sarah Maxine Reed, High School Teacher, Effective June 30, 1999; Margaret Jo Ross, Learning Center Specialist, Merriman School, Effective June 30, 1999; Virginia Smith, Merriman Teacher, Effective June 30, 1999; Fannie Williams, High School Health Teacher, Effective June 30, 1999; Michael Zaher, High School Social Studies Teacher, Effective June 30, 1999; Carole Dubsy, Bus Driver, Effective June 30, 1999; Antoinette Dorenzo, Paraprofessional, Halecreek, Effective June 30, 1999; and Claudette Ozment, Lunch Aid/Crossing Guard, Merriman School, Effective June 30, 1999.

6/99/15 Moved by Lenossi supported by Lambert to accept the recommendations as presented by Dr. Samuel B. La Monica, Director of Human Resources. Ayes: 6. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

#### Bills for Payment

6/99/16 Moved by Lambert supported by Berlinn to approve the Bills for Payment as presented by Mr. Joel R. Carr, Assistant Superintendent for Finance and Operations. Ayes: 6. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

#### Summer Recreation Buses

6/99/17 Moved by Lenossi supported by Berlinn that the Board of Education accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and approve District participation in the Summer Recreation Program by providing buses as per the attached. Ayes: 5. Nays: 0. Abstain: 1 (Debbie Dick). Motion carried.

#### Communications and Expressions from the Public

Members of the audience voiced their concerns, as they relate to the operation of the School District, to members of the Board of Education and Administration.

#### Items of Interest from the Superintendent

Dr. William M. Bedell, Superintendent, shared the following items of interest with members of the Board of Education: 1) 1999/2000 Proposed Marching Band Budget; 2) Administrative Retreat Agenda; and 3) Article on Mamie Kesner.

#### Questions and/or Concerns of Board Members

Member Kesner asked about the maintenance positions being filled.

Member Lenossi spoke about grass-cutting at Barth Elementary School.

#### Executive Session - Negotiations

None.

#### ADJOURNMENT:

6/99/18 Moved by Lenossi supported by Lambert that the meeting be adjourned. Ayes: 6. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:55 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael D. Woods, Secretary  
Romulus Board of Education

## Metro Airport To Display Local Elementary Students' Art



Romulus Community Schools elementary-art specialist Nancy McLellan proudly displays some of her students' efforts. More than two dozen such works will be on display at Metro Airport in the fall.

If you missed seeing the "best of" collection of Romulus elementary students' wonderful artwork – displayed at various locations throughout the City this spring and early summer – you'll get a second chance to see at least some of it in the fall.

Detroit Metropolitan Wayne County Airport will kick off its new "Kids Gallery" area (located in the L.C. Smith terminal just prior to "Checkpoint Yellow"/CDEFG Corridor) with an exhibit of approximately 28 pictures created by first-through-sixth-grade students from Barth, Cory, Halecreek, Merriman, and Wick schools. Performing the installation for the Airport will be Metro-area artists Ron and Monique Pawlicki of Pawlicki Studio in Detroit.

The exhibit should be ready by September 1 and will continue through the end of the year.

"We chose to begin our 'Kids Gallery' with art from the students in Romulus because that city is our home, so to

speaking, making it especially near and dear to our hearts," said Metro Airport's Angela Frakes, one of the project's coordinators. "After about four months, we'll replace these pictures with student work from another local school district, and continue the rotation process into the future."

The Romulus Community Schools' traveling art exhibit was put together by elementary-art specialist, Nancy McLellan. All students in grades one through six participated in the project; McLellan then selected about five dozen of the most noteworthy pieces, backed and laminated them, and arranged for a number of special showings – beginning with Wendy's, located on Middlebelt just east of the Airport; continuing at locations such as the district's administrative office on Grant Road, the public library, Romulus City Hall, and the Wayne County Regional Education Service Agency; and concluding at the Airport. □



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## Honors Program Recognizes Excellence at Middle School



Diedra Zocheim (right) is justifiably proud of her daughter, Sherri Davis. Not only did the eighth-grader serve as the Mistress of Ceremonies at Romulus Middle School's Awards Recognition Ceremony (held June 10), but she received numerous accolades – including awards for citizenship, leadership, perfect-attendance, and academic honors – as well.

Romulus Middle School's "best of the best" were honored at the annual Awards Recognition Ceremony held Thursday, June 10, 1999.

After remarks by Edward Clark (Principal), Christine Powers (Assistant Principal), and Joel Carr (Assistant Superintendent for Finance and Operations), the Middle School Band – under the direction of instructor Mark Fernandez – performed for the audience. Finally, a number of administrators, department heads, teachers, and counselors presented the following awards.

### "Perfect Attendance" Award

Sherri Davis, Lauren Fox, Sarah Gray, Terry Harper, Erick Hemmingway, Da'Shalone Ross, Brandon Varga.

### "Citizenship" Award

Shannon Allen, Jacob Banks, Scott Blackburn, Kimberly Blankenship, Katie Bolus, Amanda Boner, Amanda Brewington, Ronald Buckley, Tiffany Burrell, Christopher Chesno, Sandy Chiu, Jamie Cox, Nicole Cribbs, Leslie Dailey, Sherri Davis, Josephine Denys, Tiffany Dotson, Glen Farmer, Brenda Finley, Sarah Gray, Chanel Greer, Rick Hadyniak, Kelly Hardway, Bradley Hindman, Melissa Holman, Bethany Hotchkiss, Amanda Klages, Crystal Koch, Hilary Kozma, Natasha Lowe, Bradley Lucas, Andrew McNeil, Falcia Modrzynski, Jesse Morris, Leslie Perez, Delissa Reeves, Michelle Roberts, Andrew Rodger, Da'Shalone Ross, Matthew Slater, Miyon Smith, Tiffany Smith, Jill Steffani, Jamie Stephens, Natasha Tao, Matthew Thiede, Amy Thompson, Angela Williams, Cassandra Wilson, Shannon Winkles, Megan Woodrow.

### "Principal" Award

(all "A"s for two years)

Hilary Kozma, Leslie Perez, Robert Rice.

### "Academic Excellence" Award

(all "A"s for one year)

Taritone Burutolu, Kelly Hardway, Bradley Hindman, Kristina Rafalski, Britany Sawdy, Ryan Tackett, Brandon Varga.

### "Seventh-grade Honors" Award

Aamer Ahmad, Darnell Anderson, Deborah Anderson, Natalie Blake, Kenneth Booker, Carla Broom, Ahmad Caldwell, Kristina Camilleri, Theresa Chadwick, Stephanie Clay, James Davis, Christifer Debus, Jenessa Deshazor, Carissa Drobil, James Elam, Peter Elam, Tanya Formosa, Lauren Fox, Jessica Frost, Randall Frye, Toni Gibson, Sabrina Gomes, Ashley Gschwender, Christian Hadden, Terry Harper, Novella Haggabook, Sarah Herbert, Jeffrey Hoffman, Roy Hollis, Aaron King, Jerad Kiser, April Kovacs, Kevin Kucharski, Lisa LeBlanc, Timothy Lewis, Sarah Lindroth, Stephan Lopez, Cherise Lundy, Michael Mancine, Patrick McCollum, Patrick Miller, Matthew Mortzfield, Ashley Much, Natasha Murray, Sage Nicolo, Krystal Oliver, Rebecca Oros, Nereida Pena, Kristina Rafalski, Kristi Rice, Heather Saval, Britany Sawdy, Sara Schulz, Samantha Smith, Christopher Speer, Ricky Staten, Ryan Tackett, Jon Taylor, Rebecca Thornton, Isaiah Warren, Kyle Wasson, Alyce Wesley, Mark Wheeler, DeRhonda Williams, Kiera Wilson, Marissa Wilson, Jeremiah Yeager, Kevin Zajac.

### "Eighth-grade Honors" Award

Shannon Allen, Christopher Anderson, Clint Bergum, Scott Blackburn, Katie Bolus, Joel Bond, Ryan Boyd, Amanda Brewington, Laneisha Brown, Ronald Buckley, Tiffany Burrell, Taritone Burutolu, Brittney Clark, Meghan Conway, Terra Cooley, Carlos Crockett,

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## ROMULUS COMMUNITY SCHOOLS

36540 Grant Road, Romulus, Michigan 48174

### STUDY SESSION, JUNE 29, 1999

The Study Session of the Romulus Board of Education held on Tuesday, June 29, 1999, was called to order by President Howard J. Kesner at 5:30 P.M.

Roll call showed Member Webb absent (excused). Dr. William M. Bedell, Superintendent, was absent (excused).

Pledge of Allegiance was led by President Kesner.

#### APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

6/99/19 Moved by Berlinn supported by Lambert to approve the Agenda as presented. Ayes: 6. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

#### BARTON MALOW AND KINGSCOTT

Representatives from Barton Malow (construction company) and Kingscott (architects) discussed issues and plans for the upcoming Bond Issue on September 20, 1999. They also responded to questions posed by members of the Board of Education.

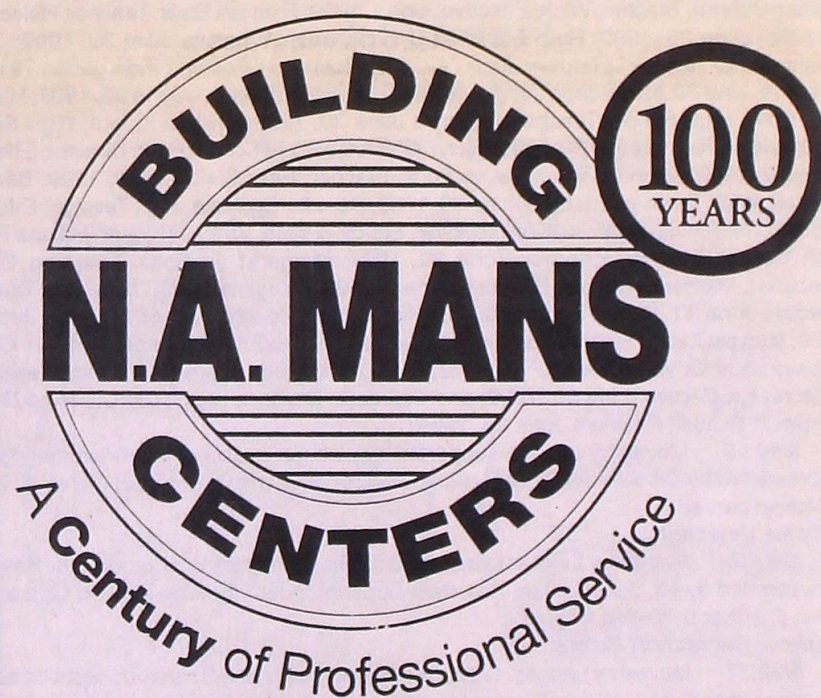
#### ADJOURNMENT:

6/99/20 Moved by Dick supported by Lenossi that the meeting be adjourned. Ayes: 6. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:22 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,  
Michael D. Woods, Secretary  
Romulus Board of Education

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# Barth Students Honored for Academics, Attendance

Congratulations to the following Barth Elementary students, who were recognized for academics and/or attendance during the fourth marking period of the 1998-1999 school year.

## HONOR ROLL

Note: An asterisk denotes those students who received all "A" grades.

### Fifth Grade - Mrs. Eischer

Ronald Baker, \*Jarran Booker, Mari Clay, Benjamin DeFelice, Justin Ferrell, Bradley Garland, \*Lindsay Green, Amanda Hollis, Sara Hurt, \*Ronald Kreutzer, Thomas Robbins, Stacey Shreve, Jr., Deep Singh, Jeremy Trevorrow.

### Fifth Grade - Ms. Krstov

Nicole Adams, \*Megan Bearman, Bradley Bills, Jennifer Caloia, Joshua Carroll, \*Ronald Carter, Jr., Katrina Culliff, \*Katrell Duncan, \*Dean Gilbert, Jr., Timothy Hammar, Jr., \*Jeannie Hayes, Kristopher Hindman, \*Jeanna Jendritz, \*Matthew Koester, Justin Maupin, \*Ashley Moss, \*Chrisma Nathaniel, Kristine Plank, Anisa Rakic, Joshua Sawdy, \*Patricia Silvey, \*Skylar Winter.

### Sixth Grade - Mr. Baty

Stephen Baker, \*Jazmine Bennett, Kursha Bradford, Heather Day, Jennifer Goss, Paris Hawkins, Benjamin Hohman, Devony Kelbassa, Ashley Pritula, Eric Rister, Jennifer Shelton, Ashley Sibby, Rebecca Smith, Avery Stephenson, Olivia Sylvester, Natalie Watt, Dante Williams, \*Ryan Witherow.

### Sixth Grade - Mrs. Reott

Stephanie Bishop, Nichole Burnett, Michael Capelli, Sara Cholette, Anica Coate, Michael Dotson, Ashley Gorkiewicz, Kevin Hamilton, Elyse Hooks, Vanessa Malloy, Angelique Moss, Christina Rocker, \*Jessica Shelton, William Williams.

## ALL-YEAR HONOR ROLL

Note: An asterisk denotes those students who received all "A" grades during the entire year.

### Fifth Grade - Mrs. Eischer

Ronald Baker, Jarran Booker, Mari Clay, Bradley Garland, \*Lindsay Green, Amanda Hollis, Sara Hurt, Ronald Kreutzer, Stacey Shreve, Jr.

### Fifth Grade - Mrs. Krstov

\*Megan Bearman, Bradley Bills, Joshua Carroll, Ronald Carter, Jr., Katrell Duncan, Dean Gilbert, Jr., \*Jeannie Hayes, \*Jeanna Jendritz, Matthew Koester, Justin Maupin, \*Ashley Moss, Chrisma Nathaniel, Anisa Rakic, Patricia Silvey, Skylar Winter.

### Sixth Grade - Mr. Baty

Stephen Baker, Jazmine Bennett, Jennifer Goss, Paris Hawkins, Benjamin Hohman, Devony Kelbassa, Ashley Pritula, Eric Rister, Jennifer Shelton, Rebecca Smith, Avery Stephenson, Natalie Watt, Dante Williams, Ryan Witherow.

### Sixth Grade - Mrs. Reott

Stephanie Bishop, Nichole Burnett, Michael Capelli, Anica Coate, Ashley Gorkiewicz, Kevin Hamilton, Elyse

Hooks, Angelique Moss, Christina Rocker, Jessica Shelton, William Williams.

## STRIVING FOR EXCELLENCE - I

Note: Students recognized in this portion of "Striving for Excellence" are third- and fourth-graders who received an "A" or "B" in all subjects.

### Third Grade - Mrs. Abela

Elizabeth Davis, Kourtney Hamilton, Adam Hammond, Jevon Lee, Leanna Pioli, Tricia Wanamaker.

### Third Grade - Mrs. Gursky

Elizabeth Alvarado, Rachel Arthur, Heather Doyle, Stephanie Hildebrandt, Alyssia McVay, Nicholas Miller, Rick Schonscheck, Devon Walker.

### Fourth Grade - Miss Fritz

Sandra Harris, Steven Krasinski, Amanda Kreutzer, Brian Lomas, Alysia Long, Alice Mattson, Jassmine Parks, Marnae Robinson, Ashley Rose, Sunny Singh, John Taylor, Jodi Torres.

### Fourth Grade - Mrs. Mientkiewicz

Patrice Barden, Melissa Brewington, Walter Cholette, Derris Cooley, Carissa Franklin, Tiffany Gray, Rusty Harris, Leslie Hayes, Orlando Houltts, Joy Jendritz, Stephanie Jensen, Christopher Kellner, Dean Kovacs, Anne Marie Martin, LaJoya Rush, John Shelly, Brittnee Shreve, Stephanie Spoonamore, Jacob VanAssche, Jaclyn VanMeer, Dakota Watson.

### Mr. Wood

Stephon Archie, Jaime Hidalgo, Carl Hoskinson, Asia Redmond, Precious Richardson, Shantrice Tatum, Dominique Walker, Elijah White, Lorenzo Wilson, Natalie Wilson, Raquel Wooden.

## STRIVING FOR EXCELLENCE - II

Note: Students recognized in this portion of "Striving for Excellence" are third- and fourth-graders who received an "A" or "B" in reading (denoted by a †) or math (denoted by a ‡). An asterisk denotes students who received an "A" or "B" in both reading and math.

### Third Grade - Mrs. Abela

†Natalie Diaz, \*Miranda Gubaci, \*Maura Harris, †Brittney Heil, †Raymont Holt, Jr., †Calvin Hoppa, †Kristin Leigh, †Jeffrey Makowski, †Amelia Pelayo, \*April Riley, †Erica Ross, †Sean Sedge-man, †Phillip Vaghy.

### Third Grade - Mrs. Gursky

\*Jordan Bowden, †Amelia Britz, †Rashima Courtney, †Sheryl Davis, \*Stacy Fabinski, †Christopher Hammar, †Steven Hicks, Jr., \*Kaleb Heil, †Whitney Kelsey, †Justin Kuderik, †James Mattson III, †Victoria Rak, †Carrie Sawdy, †Amanda Stock, †Chad Williams.

### Fourth Grade - Miss Fritz

\*Christopher Baker, †Kerri Britz, †Cordis Hayes, †Courtney Hicks, †Andrew Hildebrandt, †Joseph Krug, \*Justin Lambert, †Ashley Pardon, †Benjamin Tuttle.

### Fourth Grade - Mrs. Mientkiewicz

†Nitisha Adams, †Davun Baskerville, †Karley Bodis, \*Timothy Johnson,

\*Thomas Kuderik, †Julian Lee, †Marco Little, \*Fred Marciniak III, †Christopher Powell, †Anthony Williams.

### Mr. Wood

\*Frank Bazan, \*Brian Fowler, \*Antwan Phillips, \*Crystal Proctor.

## PERFECT ATTENDANCE

Note: An asterisk denotes those students who had perfect attendance for the entire year.

### Kindergarten "A" - Mrs. Richard

Aprill Arthur, \*Spencer DeFelice, \*Jesse McGrane, Justin Sawdy, Jennifer Sylvester, \*Nicole Thompson.

### Kindergarten "B" - Mrs. Richard

Ira Brandon III, Caitlyn Britz, Dai'Janae Byers-Davis, Karl Henderson, Jr., Emily Lewkowicz, Aaron Myles, Nickolas

Novinski, Travis Trout.

### First Grade - Mrs. Raspberry-Fisher

Curon Bradford, Joshua Kennedy, Michael Lovelady, Sheila Reeves, Christopher Reyna, Sheila Watts, \*Brittany Wilkewitz.

### First Grade - Mrs. Street

Robert Bodis, \*Senada Rakic, Shawn Reeves, Travis Rister, Brianna Shreve.

### Second Grade - Ms. Bales

Daniel Antosik, Derek Bennett, David Forbush, Kelly Mays, Holly Schonscheck.

### Second Grade - Mrs. Withey

\*Kayla Dizney, Katie Koester, Brandy Martin, Rose Shelly, Jessica Sylves-

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## ROMULUS COMMUNITY SCHOOLS

36540 Grant Road, Romulus, Michigan 48174

## STATUTORY MEETING, JULY 12, 1999

The Statutory Meeting of the Romulus Board of Education held on Monday, July 12, 1999, was called to order by Mr. Joel R. Carr, Assistant Superintendent for Finance and Operations, at 7:17 P.M.

Roll call showed Member Lambert arrived at 7:18 P.M. Dr. William M. Bedell, Superintendent, was absent (excused).

Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mr. Joel R. Carr.

### ORGANIZATION OF BOARD:

Mr. Joel R. Carr asked for nominations.

### Nominations Opened for the Office of President

Moved by Webb supported by McCraight to nominate Member Lenossi. There being no other nominations, the nominations for the office of President were closed. Member Lenossi elected President unanimously.

### Nominations Opened for the Office of Vice-president

Moved by Lenossi supported by Berlinn to nominate Member Woods. There being no other nominations, the nominations for the office of Vice-president were closed. Member Woods elected Vice-president unanimously.

### Nominations Opened for the Office of Secretary

Moved by Lenossi supported by Dick to nominate Member Berlinn. There being no other nominations, the nominations for the office of Secretary were closed. Member Berlinn elected Secretary unanimously.

### Nominations Opened for the Office of Treasurer

Moved by Berlinn supported by Lenossi to nominate Member Webb. There being no other nominations, the nominations for the office of Treasurer were closed. Member Webb elected Treasurer unanimously.

### DESIGNATION OF DEPOSITORIES:

7/99/1 Moved by Webb supported by Lambert that the Board of Education name Comerica and National City to continue as depositories and that the President, Vice-president, Secretary, Treasurer, and Superintendent of Schools continue to have the authority to sign authorizing documents requiring two of the five actual signatures or facsimile signatures. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

### SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS:

7/99/2 Moved by Woods supported by McCraight that the Board of Education schedule its meetings on the second and fourth Monday of each month for the 1999/2000 school year. Ayes: 4. Nays: 3 (Dick, Lambert, and McCraight). Motion carried.

### NAMING OF AUDITOR:

7/99/3 Moved by Dick supported by Lambert that the Board of Education employ the firm of Post, Smythe, Lutz, and Ziel to act as auditors for the Board of Education for the 1999/2000 school year. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

### NAMING OF ATTORNEYS:

7/99/4 Moved by Berlinn supported by Dick that the Board of Education employ the firm of Keller, Thoma, Schwarze, Schwarze, DuBay and Katz, and Thrun, Maatch, and Nordberg, P.C., to act as attorneys for the Board of Education for the 1999/2000 school year. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

### ADOPTION OF PREVIOUS POLICIES:

7/99/5 Moved by Woods supported by Lambert that the Board of Education adopt the existing policies of the Romulus Community Schools. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

### ADJOURNMENT:

7/99/6 Moved by McCraight supported by Lambert that the meeting be adjourned. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:30 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,  
Kenneth E. Berlinn, Secretary  
Romulus Board of Education



## Barth Students Honored

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ter, Samantha Watson, MaryAnn Watts, Ryan Wilkerson.

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Natalie Diaz, Raymont Holt, Jr., \*Jesse Kennedy, Monique Walker.

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Nichole Burnett, Michael Capelli, Sara Cholette, Jevon Edwards, Tiffany Henderson, \*Jessica Shelton, \*LaKishia Street.

### Ms. Sagmani

Michael Hudson, David Williams, Dina Zumbro, Tina Zumbro.

### Mr. Wood

Stephon Archie, Frank Bazan, Precious Richardson, Shantrice Tatum, Elijah White, Lorenzo Wilson, Natalie Wilson. □

## More Pinochle for Summer!



(From left) Dorothy Federspiel, Ruth Curley, Charles Curley, and Ruth McGoldrick invite local seniors to join them for a friendly game of pinochle at the Romulus Senior Center at 1 p.m. each Thursday (\$1 per day) or, through August only, at 6 p.m. each Wednesday (\$2.25 per evening). Call 942-6852 for more information.

# ROMULUS COMMUNITY SCHOOLS

## 36540 Grant Road, Romulus, Michigan 48174

## REGULAR MEETING, JULY 12, 1999

The Regular Meeting of the Romulus Board of Education held on Monday, July 12, 1999, was called to order by President Bette M. Lenossi at 7:30 P.M.

Roll call showed all members present. Dr. William M. Bedell, Superintendent, was absent (excused).

### APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Mr. Joel R. Carr, Assistant Superintendent for Finance and Operations, requested that the Agenda be amended as follows: Delete "Executive Session – Negotiations."

7/99/7 Moved by Woods supported by Lambert to approve the Agenda as amended. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

### APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:

None.

### REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT:

#### Personnel Actions

Dr. Samuel B. La Monica, Director of Human Resources, offered the following personnel actions for Board approval.

RESIGNATION: Laura Bowen, Teacher, Cory Elementary School.

7/99/8 Moved by Lambert supported by Dick to accept the resignation of Laura Bowen, Teacher, Cory Elementary School. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

EMPLOYMENT: Darryl Simmons, Third Grade, Halecreek Elementary School, Effective September 1, 1999; Phyllis Williams, Halecreek Elementary School, Effective September 1, 1999; and Debra Wilson, Dance/Drama, High School, Effective September 1, 1999.

7/99/9 Moved by Lambert supported by Woods to accept the personnel recommendations as presented by Dr. Samuel B. La Monica, Director of Human Resources. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

RETIREMENT RESOLUTIONS: Mark Anderson, Teacher, High School; Gladys Baker-Jones, Teacher, Halecreek Elementary School; George Bowersox, Teacher, English, High School; Linda Bradfield, Counselor, Middle School; Earl Cornett, Administrator, Community High/Adult Education; William Cuhnan, Teacher, Wick Elementary School; Frances Elser, Teacher, Halecreek Elementary School; Ruth Fairchild, School Nurse; David Ferdon, CAD Teacher, High School; Rosemary Foster, Kindergarten Teacher; John Juriga, Lab 2000 Teacher, Middle School; Michael Kernohan, Teacher, High School; William Knight, Counselor, High School; Bonnie Mientkiewicz, Teacher, Barth Elementary School; Beatrice Morgan, Teacher, Wick Elementary School; Dorothy Ogletree, Teacher; Gail Radovic, Teacher, Cory Elementary School; Sarah Maxine Reed, Teacher, High School; Margaret Jo Ross, Learning Center Specialist, Merriman Elementary School; Virginia Smith, Teacher, Merriman Elementary School; Fannie Williams, Health Teacher, High School; Michael Zaher, Social Studies Teacher, High School; Carole Dubsy, Bus Driver; and Robert Garry, Head Custodian, Middle School.

7/99/10 Moved by Webb supported by Lambert that the Board approve the resolutions, in recognition of years of service to the Romulus Community Schools Board of Education, for employees retiring from Romulus Community Schools, as submitted. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

### Bills for Payment

7/99/11 Moved by Lambert supported by Webb to approve the Bills for Payment as submitted by Mr. Joel R. Carr, Assistant Superintendent for Finance and Operations. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

### Resolution on Bond Issue

7/99/12 Moved by Woods supported by Webb that the Board of Education adopt the attached resolution requesting from the Treasury Department declining maturities for our proposed bond issue. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

### Memberships – 1999/2000 School Year

7/99/13 Moved by Lambert supported by Dick that the Board of Education accept the recommendation of Dr. William M. Bedell, Superintendent, and join the Michigan Association of School Boards for the 1999/2000 school year. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

7/99/14 Moved by Lambert supported by Dick that the Board of Education accept the recommendation of Dr. William M. Bedell, Superintendent, and join the Metropolitan Detroit Bureau of School Studies, Inc., for the 1999/2000 school year. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

7/99/15 Moved by Lambert supported by Dick that the Board of Education accept the recommendation of Dr. William M. Bedell, Superintendent, and join the High School Athletic Association, Inc., for the 1999/2000 school year. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

### District Committees

President Bette M. Lenossi made the following appointments to the District Committees.

FINANCE COMMITTEE: Alan Lambert, Kenneth Berlinn, and Eva Webb.

POLICY COMMITTEE: Michael Woods and Debbie Dick.

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE: Michael Woods and Kenneth Berlinn.

### Communications and Expressions from the Public

Members of the audience voiced their concerns as they relate to the operation of the School District.

7/99/17 Moved by Woods supported by Webb that the Board of Education approve matching funds in the amount of \$1,400 to the Romulus Booster Club for the installation of goal posts at Romulus High School. Amount to be taken out of Durant funds. Ayes: 6. Nays: 0. Abstain: 1 (Dick). Motion carried.

7/99/18 Moved by Lambert supported by Woods to adopt a resolution of "thanks" and "praise" to the Romulus Booster Club for all of its hard work and dedication to the young people of Romulus. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

### Questions and/or Concerns of Board Members

Mr. Woods inquired about special meetings for the Initiatives, Compact, and MEAP Committees for the 1999/2000 school year.

Mrs. Webb informed the Board of the sudden death of Kevin Price, son of Karen Richard, teacher at Barth Elementary School.

Mrs. Dick requested a report on the track team supervision at the finals, school-floor refinishing schedule, scheduling Kathy Hurst to do a presentation on Service Learning, and grass-cutting at the various schools.

Mr. Carr stated that he would be meeting with Mayor William Oakley, Barton Malow, Evern Securities, and McKenna and Associates on Tuesday, July 20, 1999.

The Board of Education has scheduled a Study Session in the Board of Education Offices on Tuesday, July 27, 1999, at 6:00 P.M. to discuss the upcoming Bond Issue.

### ADJOURNMENT:

7/99/19 Moved by Lambert supported by Webb that the meeting be adjourned. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,  
Kenneth E. Berlinn, Secretary  
Romulus Board of Education



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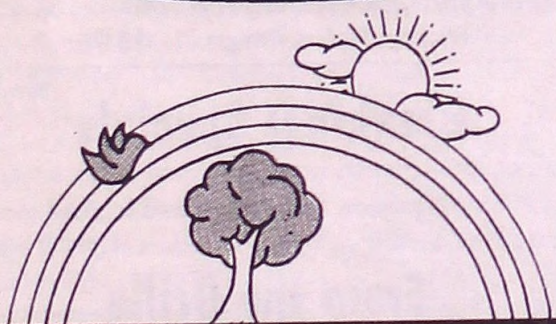
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## Sassy Seniors

By Mary E. Clark

Special thanks to Linda Norman, Senior Citizens Program Coordinator for the City of Romulus, and Audry Moomaw, Manager of the Romulus Tower, for contributing information to this issue's "Sassy Seniors" column.

(Note: For more information about events at the Romulus Senior Center, located at 36515 Bibbins, call 942-6852.)  
**Happy Birthday!**

Best wishes for a wonderful birthday to those of my Tower neighbors born in the month of August: Hester Baker, Dorothy Chase, Mary Dickason, Marian Ferch, Aria Ibach, Mary Mills, Audry Moomaw (staff), Dorothy Noland, Eula Payne, Elsie Robinson, Betty Swaney, James Thompson, and Maureen Thornhill.

### It Would Be a Crime To Miss This!

The Romulus Senior Center's next "luncheon" will be a bit different, according to Linda Norman.

"We've decided to hold it on Tuesday, August 3, in conjunction with the National Night Out program," she explained. "Everyone is invited to join us."

Served from 5 to 6:30 p.m., the meal will consist of a hot turkey sandwich, mashed potatoes and gravy, veggies, dessert, and a beverage.

Preregistration is required. Cost is \$4.50 per person.

### More on National Night Out

Norman, who has been heavily involved in the planning of the City's second annual National Night Out, took a moment to express her appreciation of some of the event's supporters.

"First, I would like to thank our hayride sponsors: the Romulus Rotary Club (which donated the hay) and Oscar Hamilton (who is volunteering his time and equipment)," said Norman. "Others deserving of thanks include Crova's Tow (for donation of a golf cart); volunteer entertainers like Ronald McDonald, the Romulus Cloggers, and local talents Sylvia Dubisky (on keyboard) and Julian Lambert (on piano); and games sponsors such as the 34th District Court (dunk tank), the DoubleTree Hotel, and U.S. Park (which also paid for the 'fire-prevention house' exhibit for kids)."

Norman also urges everyone who plans to attend the NNO program to enjoy a free hot dog (one per person, while supplies last) while checking out the various informational presentations sponsored by groups like the Romulus Police Department (including the K-9 unit), the AARP, and the Romulus Community Schools (21st Century Project).

For more information about the NNO program, see the article on page 1 of this issue.

### Craft Shows

Space is still available *at no charge* to local seniors (age 50 and up) who would like to participate in the Center's upcoming craft shows, which will be held in conjunction with the NNO program (August 3, 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.) and the Romulus Pumpkin Festival (September 18, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., and September 19, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.). Sign up at the Center.

### Yard Sale

Local senior citizens are invited to participate in the Romulus Senior Center's no-fee yard sale, set for Friday, August 27, from 11 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., and Saturday, August 28, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sign-up sheets are available at the Center.

### Special Trips

Seniors interested in more information about these or other special trips that have been planned by the Romulus Senior Center should call Linda Norman at 942-6852. (Please note: Deposits reserve your seat for any bus trip. Complete payment is due at least two weeks prior to departure for day trips; for overnight trips, payment is due at least 30 days prior to departure. Checks may be made payable to the City of Romulus or the tour company.)

- **The True North (Ontario, Canada)** (August 15-22; \$699).
- **Branson & Eureka Springs** (September 19-25; \$699).
- **Soaring Eagle (Mt. Pleasant)** (September 29; \$21).
- **"Mystery Tour"** (October 5; \$55).
- **Biloxi, Mississippi & New Orleans** (November 7-13; \$499), and
- **"Mystery Tour"** (November 17; \$55).

### "Ask the Attorney"

Local attorney Steve Robinson's monthly "Ask the Attorney" program — a free consultation service for Romulus senior citizens — has been scheduled for 3 to 5 p.m. on Tuesday, August 17. Both walk-ins (36515 Bibbins) and call-ins (734-942-6852) are welcome.

### Free Blood-pressure Check

Rachael O'Neil, a registered nurse who resides here in Romulus, has generously agreed to donate one afternoon per month to perform free blood-pressure checks at Romulus Senior Center. (Next date: Wednesday, August 18, from 12:30 to 1:30 p.m.) Be sure to stop in and take advantage of this service. □

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## The Stork Arrived

### Kaitlyn and Katherine Lewicki

Stan and Becky Lewicki of Romulus, Michigan, are proud to announce the birth of twin daughters, Kaitlyn and Katherine Lewicki.

Kaitlyn and Katherine were born in Mount Sinai Hospital (Detroit, MI) on Thursday, August 6, 1998, at 1:47 and 2:01 a.m., respectively, with Kaitlyn weighing five pounds, 14 ounces, and measuring 19 inches, while Katherine weighed six pounds, 11 ounces, and measured 21 inches.

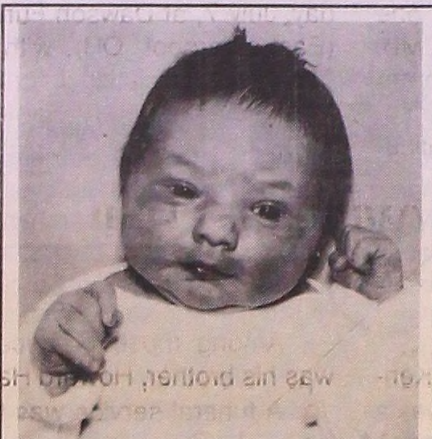
Especially excited by their sisters' arrival were older siblings Mary, Rachel, Stanley, and Rebecca.



Kaitlyn and Katherine Lewicki

The twins' paternal grandparents are Billy and Betty Chipka (Buffalo, NY); Arthur and Ann Brown (Romulus, MI) are their maternal grandparents.

### Taylor Renee Ramsey



Taylor Renee Ramsey

Proudly announcing the birth of their new daughter, Taylor Renee Ramsey, are Mike and Jessie Ramsey of Romulus, Michigan.

Born in Oakwood Medical Center-Dearborn at 11:26 p.m. on Monday, June 21, 1999, Taylor weighed in at nine pounds, five ounces, and measured 22 inches in length.

Also giving the new arrival a warm welcome into the family were her paternal grandparents, Tom Ramsey (Grosse Ile, MI) and Kay Ramsey (Trenton, MI), and her maternal grandparents, Ken Stokley (Edgewood, NM) and Sue Stokley (Romulus, MI). □

## Wedding Bells

### Arthur and Ann (Ulmer) Brown



Ann and Arthur Brown

The couple - who had been engaged since April 30, 1998 - exchanged their wedding vows on Saturday, May 15, 1999, at Second Baptist Church (Romulus, MI).

Standing up with Art were his best man, Stanley J. Lewicki II, and groomsmen Robert Brown, Michael Brown, Jame Albert Brown, and Lloyd McMillon. Johnny Dukes served as an usher.

Ann's attendants were matron of honor Alexa J. Taylor, maid of honor Becky D. Lewicki, and bridesmaids Alice Ann Harris and Lou McMillan. Tina Dukes, Ursula Kendrick, and Sherry Westbrow served as usherettes.

Stanley J. Lewicki III was the ring bearer; flower girls were Raches A. Nunes and Nahgee Westbrook.

A reception at VFW Hall (Post #9568, Romulus, MI) immediately followed the ceremony. □



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# Obituaries

## Ervin Elmer Block

Ervin Elmer Block of Farwell, Michigan (formerly of Romulus, MI), died on Wednesday, December 30, 1998, at the age of 78.

Born in Romulus on January 2, 1920, the son of Charles and Emma (Fisher) Block served in the U.S. Army during World War II and was a brick mason by trade.

Ervin is survived by his wife, Rose Block; three sons, Linn (and his wife, Marilyn) Block (Janesville, WI), Michael (and his wife, Karen) Block (Janesville, WI), and Randy (and his wife, Kathy) Block (Columbia, TN); two brothers,

Charles and Delton Block (both of Romulus); one sister, Ruth Ferkovich (Westland, MI); and numerous grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Among those predeceasing him were his parents; his daughter, Debra Sowle; and four brothers, John, Wilbur, Lowell, and Albert Block.

A memorial service was held Thursday, July 8, 1999, at Crane Funeral Home (Romulus, MI), with the Reverend William Kren (Community United Methodist Church, Romulus, MI) officiating. Burial was at Romulus Memorial Cemetery (Romulus, MI).

## Clark Dalrymple, Jr.

Clark Dalrymple, Jr., of Romulus, Michigan, died on Monday, July 5, 1999. He was 49 years old.

Born March 24, 1950, in Sugar Grove, Ohio, Clark was the son of Clark Sr. and Mildred (Barnhart) Dalrymple. The Ford Motor Company employee worked for almost 31 years at the Woodhaven Stamping Plant. He and his wife, Deloris (Yeager) Dalrymple, were married May 17, 1968.

Surviving Clark are his wife, one son, Richard Dalrymple (Flat Rock, MI); two daughters, Mrs. Gary (Deborah) Saff (Wyandotte, MI) and Donna Dalrymple (Romulus, MI); his mother (Saline-

ville, OH); one brother, (William Dalrymple (East Liverpool, OH); four sisters, Mrs. Ellis "Bud" (Ruth) Cronin (Hammondsville, OH), Virginia Lockhart (Salineville, OH), Karen McMahon (East Liverpool, OH), and Sharon Dalrymple (Mechanicstown, OH); and two grandchildren. Among those predeceasing him were his father and one brother, George Homer Dalrymple.

A funeral service was held Wednesday, July 7, at Dawson Funeral Home (East Liverpool, OH), with Reverend Ted Nusser officiating. Interment was at Pine Grove Cemetery (Hammondsville, OH).

## Honors Program at Middle School

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Amanda Crosby, Maranda Cushman, Leslie Dailey, Janeise Daniels, Sherri Davis, Eric Decker, Josephine Denys, Julia Deshazor, Glen Farmer, Brenda Finley, Sarah Gray, Rick Hadyniak, Della Hamby, Kelly Hardway, Megan Hatcher, Jamie Henne, Bradley Hindman, Melissa Holman, Bethany Hotchkiss, Curtis Jackson, Magan Keely, Nabila Khan, Amanda Klages, Crystal Koch, Lucas Kooistra, Hilary Kozma, Julian Lambert, Natasha Lowe, Akeem Martin, Andrew McNeil, Jesse Morris, Erica Ochs, Heather Patrick, Jesse Patterson, Leslie Perez, Delisa Reeves, Robert Rice, Donald Richison, Andrew Rodger, Aisha Siddiqui, Latoya Starr, Jill Steffani, Bethany Swauger, Natasha Tao, Matthew Thiede, Brandon Varga, Kjersten Wesley, Angela Williams, Cassandra Wilson.

### "Math" Award

Taritone Burutolu, Robert Rice.

### "Spelling Bee" Award

Taritone Burutolu, Amber Saval.

### "Foreign Language" Award

Clint Bergum, Donald Richison.

### "Technology" Award

Brandon Varga.

### "Band" Award

Josephine Denys, Lynsie Ransaw.

### "Choir" Award

Kimberly Blankenship, Sarah Gray.

### "Scholar Athlete" Award

Christopher Anderson, Ron Buckley, Kristina Rafalski.

### "Life Management" Award

Brenda Finley.

### "Leadership" Award

Katie Bolus, Amanda Brewington, Tiffany Burrell, Taritone Burutolu, Christopher Chesno, Meghan Conway, Sherri Davis, Eric Decker, Tiffany Dotson, Glen Farmer, Kelly Hardway, Amanda Klages, Hilary Kozma, Akeem Martin, Latoya Pillow, Delisa Reeves, Michelle Roberts, Jill Steffani, Bethany Swauger, Patrick Webb, Cassandra Wilson.

### "Yearbook" Award

Josephine Denys, Angela Williams.

### "Science Olympiad" Award

Deborah Anderson, Jacob Banks, Natalie Blake, Josephine Denys, Sabrina Gomes, Nabila Khan, Lucas Kooistra, Akeem Martin, Jesse Patterson, Nicole Radford, Kristina Rafalski, Robert Rice, Andrew Rodger, Sara Schultz.

### "Social Studies Olympiad" Award

Paul Adkins, Amanda Brewington, Taritone Burutolu, Jenessa Deshazor, Thom Drayton, Carissa Drobil, Jessica Frost, Sabrina Gomes, Lucas Kooistra, Hillary Kozma, Kevin Kucharski, Tim Lewis, Michael Mancine, Patrick McCollum, Nereida Pena, Leslie Perez, Britany Sawdy, Sarah Schatilo, Alicia Sims, Chris Speer. □

## Oma M. (Williams) Hall

Oma M. (Williams) Hall of Romulus, Michigan, died on Thursday, July 15, 1999. She was 69 years old.

The native of Barbourville, Kentucky – born February 2, 1930 – was a member of Daniel Full Gospel Church (Taylor, MI).

Oma is survived by her husband, Jim Hall; one son, Robert J. (and his wife Barbara) Hall (Northville, MI); one daughter, Mrs. Dale (Pamela A.) Verleye (Alea, HI); one sister, Aubrey Logan

(Taylor, MI); six grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

Among those predeceasing him was his brother, Howard Hall (1990).

A funeral service was held Saturday, July 17, at Crane Funeral Home (Romulus, MI), with the Reverend C.G. Marion and the Reverend Terry Hister officiating. Interment was at Cadillac Memorial Gardens West (Westland, MI).

Memorial tributes may be made to Arbor Hospice.

## Alice T. (Terry) Wallace

Alice T. (Terry) Wallace of Romulus, Michigan, died on Tuesday, June 29, 1999, at the age of 84.

The native of West Point, Georgia – born July 15, 1914 – was active in the Romulus Seniors Bowling League and at the Romulus Senior Center.

She is survived by one niece, San-

dra Terry (Oak Park, MI).

A funeral service was held Tuesday, July 6, at the First Baptist Church (Romulus, MI), with Reverend Charles P. Woolridge officiating. Burial was at Romulus Memorial Cemetery (Romulus, MI). Arrangements were made by Crane Funeral Home (Romulus, MI).

## William H. Weimer

William H. Weimer of Romulus, Michigan, died on Monday, July 19, 1999. He was 78 years old.

William was born in Bridgeport, Connecticut, on August 27, 1920, and married his wife, Genevieve (Killingbeck) Weimer, on April 29, 1944. A member of St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church (New Boston, MI), he had also served in the Coast Guard Auxiliary.

Surviving William are his wife; three sons, Timothy M. (and his wife, Sue) Weimer (Carleton, MI), Kris W. (and his wife, Rebecca) Weimer (Romulus, MI), and Todd E. Laurell (Romulus, MI); three

daughters, Mrs. Steve (Paula) Roumayah (Romulus, MI), Mrs. Ronald (Robin) Ross (Brownstown Twp., MI), and Mrs. David (Bonnie) Gordon (New Boston, MI); a brother, Henry Weimer; 13 grandchildren; and nine great-grandchildren.

A funeral service was held Thursday, July 22, at Crane Funeral Home (Romulus, Michigan), with Pastor Marvin Anderson (St. Paul's Church) officiating. Interment was at Michigan Memorial Park (Flat Rock, MI).

Memorial tributes may be made either to the Michigan Cancer Foundation or to St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church. □

## A Sincere Apology

In an article about the National Honor Society's newest inductees (see our July 2, 1999 edition), we inadvertently omitted the name of Brandon Varga, an eighth-grade student who should have been included in the list of "special honorees" from the Middle School.

We hope that the Varga family will accept our sincere apologies for the omission, and thank them for drawing the error to our attention so that we could rectify it. □



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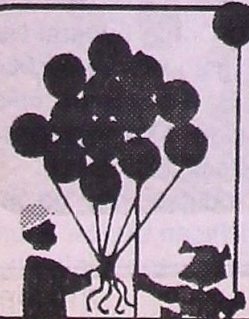
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